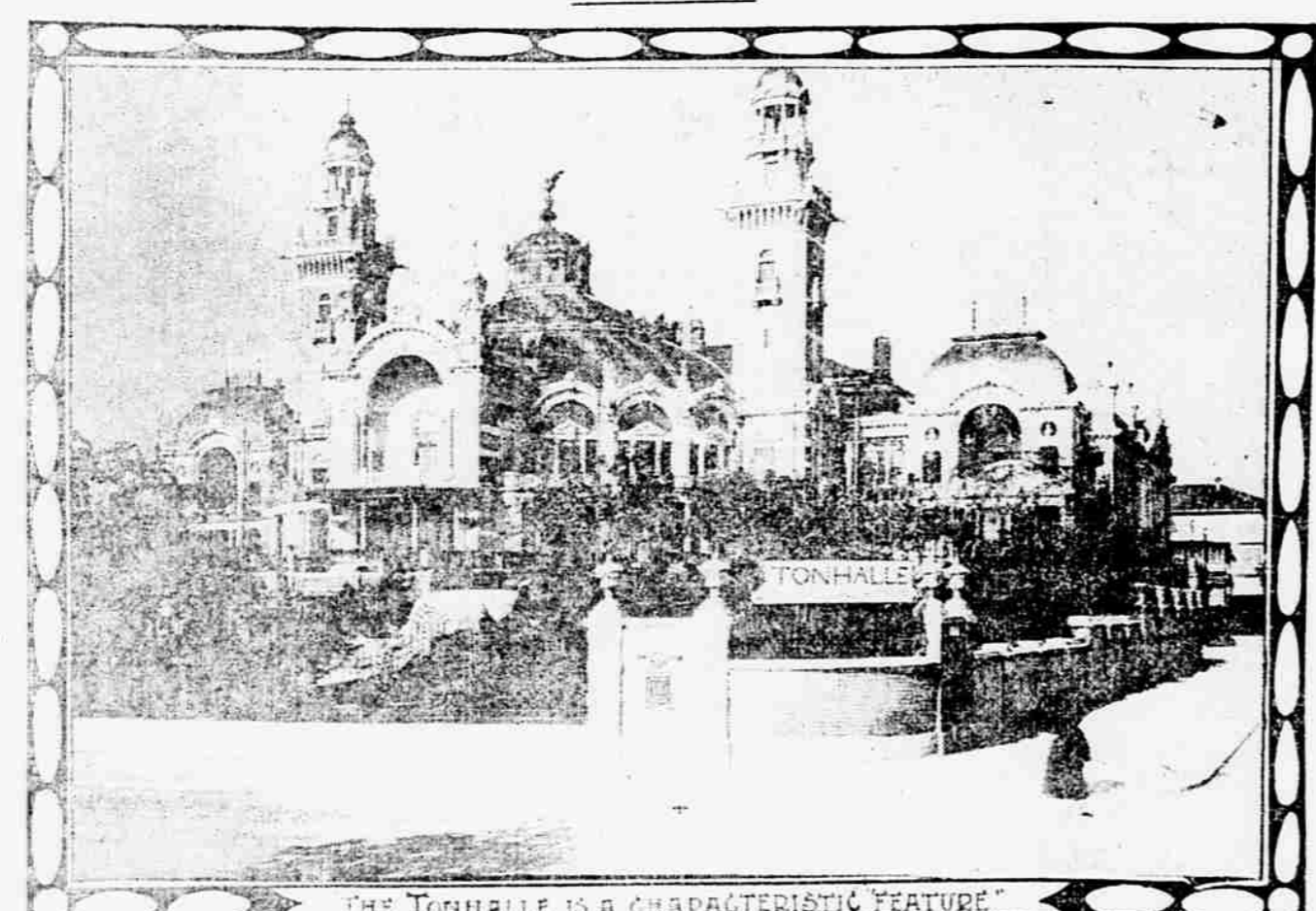
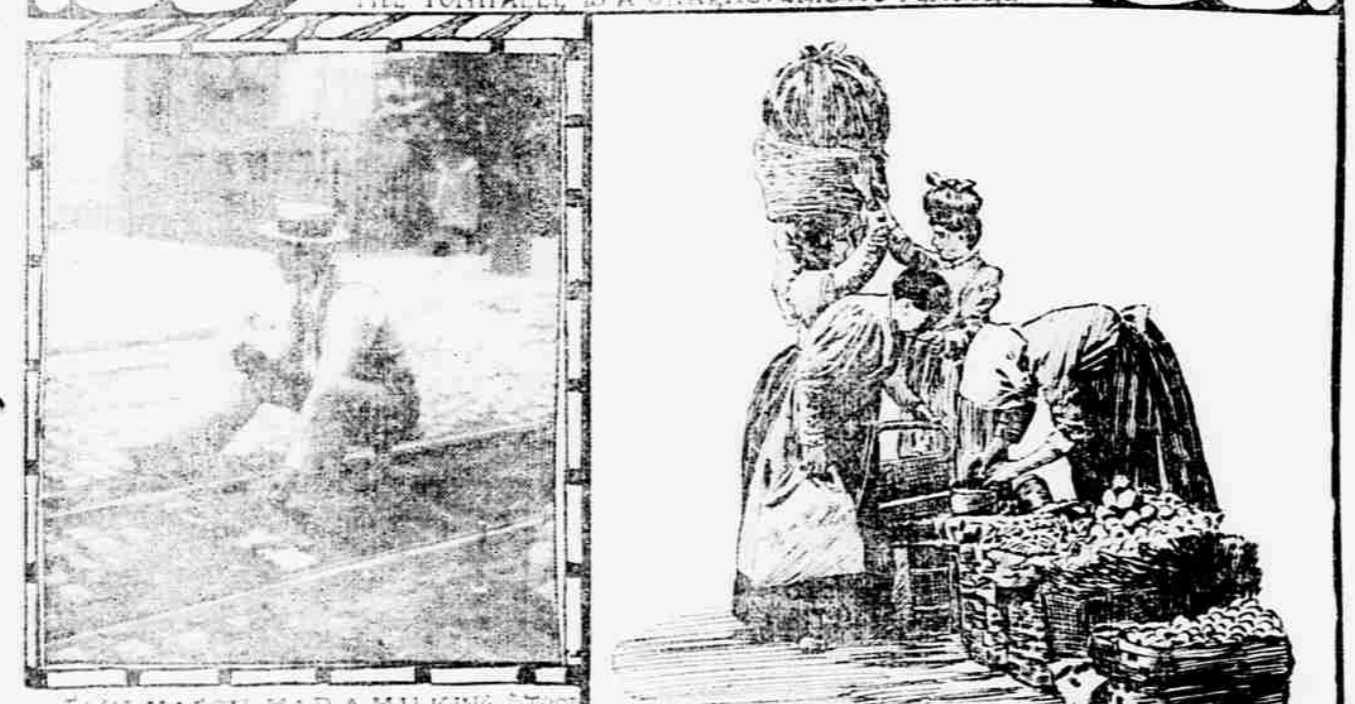


ZURICH—SWISS METROPOLIS, A. . . MARKET FOR AMERICAN GOODS.

Frank Carpenter Visits Commercial Center of the Alps—European Workmen and Their Organizations—Street Laborers Who Carry Stools—How the Women Work—A Look at the Swiss Schools and Their Gymnasiums—Pupils Furnished Doctors, Oculists and Dentists Free of Charge—School Tours and School Baths.



THE TONNHALLE IS A CHARACTERISTIC FEATURE



EACH MASON HAD A MILKING STICK

THE SWISS WOMEN MANAGE THE MARKETS

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The first of the American exporters to Switzerland, the Swiss metropolis, and the Swiss people, which will appear in the Republic.

Our experience, however, is not so good. The Swiss metropolis, the Alps, and the Swiss people, which will appear in the Republic.

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She comes out early and picks out the things for herself. She stopped before one woman who was buying some butter of a white-capped female butter seller.

The butter was melted into great loaves, from which were cut the portions demanded by the purchasers.

The cutting of a loaf, which the woman did around the loaf and pulled through, cutting the butter into small smooth pieces, and even then could be done with a knife.

I asked as to prices and was told that good butter is now worth 14 cents a pound. I have spent some time in going through the shops of Zurich and other parts of Switzerland.

I am surprised at their excellence. The Swiss, while themselves on their educational system, and their universal patronage for the school.

Here in Zurich it is estimated that 87 per cent of the children of all classes go to public schools, although there are excellent private academies and universities.

Every canton has its school board and every village its school buildings and teachers. The country is small, but all together there are more than 200 schools in it, and a large number of high schools and universities.

Russell has a university which was founded before the discovery of America, and there are good universities at Bern, Geneva, Fribourg and Zurich.

These universities are organized in the same way as those of Germany, each being controlled by a senate and a senate, and divided into faculties of theology, law, philosophy and medicine.

There are 1200 students and 100 professors. In addition to this there are 25 technical schools in Switzerland which receive money from the federal government or the cantons, and there are also several commercial schools, with more than 1000 pupils.

ALBION'S EXHIBITION. The Swiss watch the health of their children, and almost every school has its gymnasium.

There are more than a thousand schools here, which have gymnastic training all the year round and 100 which give lessons in gymnastics a part of the year.

I have visited a number of gymnasiums. They are all equipped with the best and best do their work under regular instruction.

There are ten schools in this town which have gymnastic training, and the children are sent out for a walk.

The city has its school doctors, who make regular examinations of the eyes, ears and throat of the pupils.

Think of a school doctor! That is what they have in Zurich. Many of the public schools have gardens about them.

I visited one this afternoon which had at least an acre given up to play and exercise grounds, and this notwithstanding the school was in the heart of the city.

Under the trees were vaulting horses and parallel bars and this in addition to the regular gymnasium under cover.

In a section of the grounds a class of boys was training under their professor, a young man of 25 years.

The boys had run about four feet long when they threw about in a variety of motions as directed. I photographed this class in action and the boys were delighted.

In all parts of Switzerland the teachers take the children off now and then on educational tours.

The little ones visit the country nearby, and the older pupils have excursions on the railways to the most beautiful parts of Switzerland.

More than 2000 scholars were sent out from Zurich on such tours last year with their teachers.

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Twain's Friends Invaded His Field of Humor.

Mark Twain will probably never forget the attempt of two of his Hartford friends to invade his field of humor.

In the Twain-Twain-Warner group was the Reverend Doctor Parker, a Congregational clergyman of learning and eloquence, whose church occupied relatively the same position in the south part of the city as Doctor Twain's did in the north.

Charles Dudley Warner was editor-in-chief, published in its religious notes a paragraph that the Reverend Doctor Parker had the honor to be the pastor of the church in the front of the South Baptist Church the evening before.

The South Baptist Church was only a block or two away from Dr. Parker's South Congregational Church, and the reporter in his mixed report ascribed to Doctor Parker functions that had really been performed by the Reverend Doctor Parker.

These are the joint labors of these four, but mainly of the Reverend Doctor Parker and Twain, a half-century ago, in the office of the Hartford Times to have the report corrected in its early evening edition and to have a laugh over the story.

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AUTOMOBILE AS A SUBSTITUTE FOR SANTA'S REINDEERS AND SLEIGH.

John Kendrick Bangs Chats With the Merry Saint of Yuletide—He Prefers Prancer and Dancer to the Fastest Motor Carriage—Why Some of Last Season's Toys Smelt of Gasoline.



HAVE A CANDY CIGAR?

ATTENDING TO HIS INTENSE CORRESPONDENCE

MR. S. CLAUS

ROBERT CARTER

THE SUNDAY REPUBLIC

It was a crisp, cold morning when, in response to an invitation from Santa Claus, I visited him at his headquarters in the Tonnhalle to talk over the general holiday situation.

I had had a hard ride from the city owing to the very great congestion of traffic, but on the Fair Central Railway, and later on the Greenland Air Line, upon which systems one now has to travel to reach the Santa Claus part.

Third as I was, however, I was soon braced up by the invigorating air that I breathed into my lungs in the twenty-mile rush ride from the city to the Tonnhalle, out to Clausville.

Here the venerable Saint of Yuletide has his office.

The founder was in excellent form and made short work of the score of miles that lay between the railway and my objective point.

It was difficult at first for me to get used to the idea of whizzing over this dizzying white country in a sleigh drawn by six magnificent creatures who had never known snow.

For a brief while my sensations were much like those of one who is being run away with, but five minutes of it served to restore my confidence in my safety.

At the end of ten I was quite as comfortable in my mind as I have ever been in a human car.

Upon my arrival at the Clausville Hotel I found a steaming hot breakfast prepared for me, consisting of broiled chocolate cream, a couple of hard-boiled peppermint sticks and some candied apples, just from the ovens.

These I ate with relish, and then walked up the broad main street of Clausville to the headquarters of Mr. Claus. He received me with his usual cordiality and made me feel perfectly at home the moment I entered his private office.

"If you don't mind waiting a moment," he said, after he had made me welcome, "I am just finishing up my correspondence, and there are just a few letters of importance that remain to be answered."

"Well, I can wait in about five minutes," I said, and he nodded. "I shall be glad to have you wait in about five minutes."

I gladly acquiesced and Santa turned to a row of twenty stenographers at one end of his room and soon had the fingers of every one busy taking down his marvelously rapid dictation.

While this was going on I had a chance to look at the room and was much entertained at what I saw there.

Models for mechanical railways and automobiles in miniature and engines and carriages of all sorts and descriptions were to be found on every side.

On the walls were pictures of most interesting make, most of them movable, in which the figures seemed to be alive and to enact some little story for the onlooker.

In one corner of the room, which was very large and bright, stood a huge bookcase, containing, I should say, about a thousand volumes, which Santa Claus's authors have turned out in the last year.

On the other side was another case, which had held some 20 large volumes, which I judged from labels on their backs, contained the records of all the youngsters in the world, alphabetically arranged.

It was strongly tempted to take down one of these to see how my own youngsters had been behaving themselves.

"Thank you," said I, putting the book back in its place, "I shall be glad to see how my own youngsters have been behaving themselves."

"Well, I don't know just what to talk about," I said, "I have never been interviewed before."

"How do you feel in regard to the automobile, for instance, as a substitute for Prancer and Dancer and your reindeer outfit?" I suggested.

"I was glad I asked the question, for it was evident the minute I spoke that I had touched him upon one of his raw spots."

"I'll never do it in this world," he cried, pounding the table with his fist.

"I tried it last year against my wishes, but yielding to the solicitations of a number of our Board of Directors, and the way the thing was botched was disgraceful."

"We sent out two hundred and fifty automobiles all loaded with toys, and only five of them accomplished their work satisfactorily."

"Sixteen of them blew up before they'd gone a hundred miles; forty-two got stuck in the snow half way between Clausville and Boston; thirty of them were judged for something before they'd delivered a single toy."

"Four of them punctured their tires on church steeples and lightning rods."

"Between you and me, it was because one of the biggest of 'em—a \$20,000 Mercedes—collided with the top of it, in the dusk, that

the Campanile at Venice later came clattering down about the ears of the populace.

"Worst of all, the toys that were delivered successfully smelt of gas, and that they, making and the children sick, before morning came, and the chugging-chugging of the machines up on the roof tops waked up nearly everybody in their neighborhood."

"Possibly," he said, "and then they'll call me Santa Claus instead of Santa Claus."

"Possibly in ten or fifteen years you'll find the ship useful," I suggested.

"Somehow in that vast stretch of sand there's a reminder left in the world we have to use for automobiles in our business."

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"Don't you pin your faith to the ship, Young man."

"We've been experimenting on that, too, and it never works sure enough for us."

"I sent one out last year along with the automobiles, and it collapsed somewhere over the Sahara, where there isn't a kid of any kind to be provided for."

"What's the result?"

"They almost got the reindeer for the automobiles they'll have to abolish me along with 'em and substitute a toy emporium for your truly."

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